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ARRANGEMENTS

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1. AS NOTED REFTTEL, WE HAD BEEN PROMISED WRITTEN RESPONSE TO OUR INTERPRETATION OF IRANIAN DRAFT ON JOINT COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT ARRANGEMENTS. WE HAVE NOW BEEN PROVIDED INFORMALLY WITH THIS RESPONSE, TEXT OF WHICH FOLLOWS. WORDS OR PHRASES IN PARENTHESIS ARE OUR SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW IRANIAN TEXT MIGHT BE AMENDED TO MEET OUR NEEDS.

2. QUOTE- ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT ARRANGEMENTS FOR TECHNICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN IRAN AND THE U.S.A.(PARAGRAPH) SUBJECT TO THE RATIFICATION BY THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT OF THE AGREEMENT OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT OF IRAN AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND ALSO SUBJECT TO ANY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS WHICH MAY BE AGREED UPON BETWEEN THE RESPECTIVE IRANIAN AND AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS SHALL GUIDE THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THESE AGENCIES AS REGARDS TECHNICAL COOPERATION:

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I. HOUSING

1) THE RESPECTIVE IRANIAN AGENCY SHALL PROVIDE
HOTEL ACCOMMODATION FOR SHORT TERM EXPERTS.

2) AS REGARDS THE LONG-TERM EXPERTS WHEN DECIDING
ON THEIR SALARY(COST), THE TWO SIDES SHALL AGREE ON THE
AMOUNT OF HOUSING ALLOWANCE WHICH WOULD FORM PART OF THE
TOTAL SALARY(COST) OF THE EXPERT. IF BY THE TIME THE
EXPERT ARRIVES IN IRAN, THE RESPECTIVE IRANIAN PARTY FINDS
IT POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE SUITABLE#HOUSING, INCLUDING
FURNISHING AND REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES, THEN THE
SAID PERCENTAGE SHALL NOT BE PAID TO THE EXPERT(REIMBURSED
TO THE US GOVERNMENT). (PARAGRAPH) IF THE RESPECTIVE
IRANIAN AGENCY DOES NOT FIND IT POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE HOUSING,
THEN IT SHALL PROVIDE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR A PERIOD OF
UP TO THREE MONTHS, DEDUCTING PROPORTIONATE AMOUNT FROM
THE SALARY(COST) OF THE EXPERT ACCORDING TO THE AMOUNT OF
HOUSING ALLOWANCE AGREED. IN THIS CASE THE RESPECTIVE
IRANIAN AGENCY SHALL ASSIST THE EXPERT IN FINDING A HOUSE,

#"SUITABLE" MEANING HOUSING PROVIDED IN CONSULTATION WITH
THE U.S. EMBASSY.

INCLUDING FURNISHING, REPAIR AND SERVICES, IN IRAN. THE
U.S. COOPERATING AGENCY SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR(PAYING
FOR) THE UTILITIES.

II. TRANSPORTATION

1) THE RESPECTIVE IRANIAN AGENCY WOULD UNDERTAKE
THE COST OF OFFICIAL INTERNATIONAL ROUND TRIPS OF THE
EXPERTS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS AS WELL AS INTERNAL TRIPS OF
THE EXPERT, INCLUDING PER DIEMS.

2) THE RESPECTIVE IRANIAN AGENCY WOULD PROVIDE
A MAXIMUM OF POUNDS FOR AIR FREIGHT, AND OF
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..... FOR SURFACE SHIPMENT OF PERSONAL EFFECTS.

3) THE RESPECTIVE IRANIAN AGENCY WOULD PROVIDE
THE EXPERTS WITH LOCAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES BETWEEN
THEIR RESIDENCES AND THEIR OFFICES, AS WELL AS OTHER
OFFICIAL PURPOSES.(PARAGRAPH) WHETHER AN EXPERT WOULD
HAVE A CAR AVAILABLE FOR PERSONAL USE WOULD DEPEND ON
ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN THE PARTIES CONCERNED.

III. OFFICE SPACE AND FACILITIES

THE RESPECTIVE IRANIAN AGENCY WOULD PROVIDE THE EXPERTS WITH OFFICE SPACE, WHICH WOULD BE SIMILAR TO THE FACILITIES PROVIDED TO IRANIAN EXPERTS OF EQUAL RANK AND STATUS, AND TELEPHONE. IN SPECIAL CASES, SECRETARY AND TRANSLATOR MIGHT ALSO BE PROVIDED. (PARAGRAPH) THIS IS A MATTER TO BE AGREED UPON BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES IN EACH CASE.

IV. CUSTOM REGULATIONS#

1) THE EXPERTS SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM CUSTOM AND OTHER IMPORT DUTIES AND COMMERCIAL TAXES ON PERSONAL AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS IMPORTED FOR PERSONAL USE OF THE EXPERT AND HIS FAMILY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PRIMARY ACCOMMODATION.

2) THE EXPERT SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM CUSTOM AND NONCUSTOM IMPORT DUTIES AND CHARGES, COMMERCIAL TAX AND OTHER TAXES AND CHARGES ON CAR IMPORT FOR HIS PERSONAL USE. SHOULD THE EXPERT DECIDE TO TRANSFER OR SELL HIS CAR IN IRAN HE SHALL PAY ALL THE CUSTOM AND NON-CUSTOM DUTIES AND CHARGES, COMMERCIAL TAX AND OTHER TAXES ON THE BASIS OF PREVAILING RULES AND REGULATIONS.

V. FRINGE BENEFIT, AND EMBASSY SHARED SUPPORT COSTS

ALL FRINGE BENEFITS AND EMBASSY SHARED SUPPORT COSTS EFFECTED BY THE U.S. SIDE SHALL BE PRESENTED IN THE GLOBAL SALARY(COST) OF THE EXPERT. END QUOTE.

3. APPRECIATE COMMENTS AND ADVICE AS TO WHETHER WE SHOULD LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PROCEED TO REACH FINAL FORMAL AGREEMENT ON FOREGOING.

THIS PROVISION SHALL APPLY TO LONG-TERM EXPERTS ONLY.

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